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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SOVIET MFA OFFICIAL TO MIDDLE EAST

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1. BULGARIAN AMBASSADOR VUTOV TOLD DCM EVENING
FEBRUARY 8 THAT SOVIET MFA CHIEF OF N. E. COUNTRIES
DEPARTMENT SYTENKO HAD ARRIVED IN CAIRO THAT AFTERNOON
FOR START OF SWING THROUGH MIDDLE EAST IN CONNECTION
WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENEVA ME PEACE CONFERENCE.
BULGARIAN SAID THAT WHILE SOME BILATERAL SOVIET-EGYPTIAN
MATTERS MIGHT BE DISCUSSED, GETTING READY FOR GENEVA
WAS MAIN FOCUS OF SYTENKO'S VISIT. HE WILL BE IN
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CAIRO SEVERAL DAYS AND THEN GO TO JORDAN, SYRIA AND
LEBANON (NOT NECESSARILY IN THAT ORDER). BULGARIAN
DID NOT THINK SYTENKO WOULD VISIT IRAQ OR LIBYA.

2. ASKED ABOUT SOVIET POSITION ON GENEVA, BULGARIAN
SAID IT WAS QUOTE WELL-KNOWN AND PRINCIPLED UNQUOTE.
PLO MUST PARTICIPATE FROM THE START; IDEA OF TWO-

STAGE CONFERENCE WITH PLO PARTICIPATING ONLY IN SECOND
STAGE WAS NOT QUOTE PRINCIPLED UNQUOTE.

3. ON WALDHEIM VISIT TO ME, BULGARIAN AMBASSADOR
SAID IT WAS IN ACCORD WITH UNGA RESOLUTION, HAD SHOWN
THAT ALL COUNTRIES IN AREA EXCEPT ISRAEL INSISTED ON
PLO PARTICIPATION AT GENEVA, AND HAD UNDERLINED
INTRANSIGENCE OF ISRAELI STATEMENTS OPPOSING UN PEACE
SETTLEMENT EFFORTS. ALL COUNTRIES INVOLVED WOULD NOW
BE WATCHING TO SEE WHAT THE US POSITION WOULD BE DURING
SECRETARY VANCE'S VISIT.

4. COMMENT: BULGARIAN IS VERY SHARP, KEEPS HIMSELF WELL-INFORMED
AND HAS BEEN HERE THREE YEARS; HE CAN BE COUNTED ON
TO REFLECT ACCURATELY WHAT SOVIETS TELL HIM. SYTENKO'S
VISIT APPEARS TO BE SOVIET EFFORT NOT TO BE LEFT OUT
OF ME PEACE SOUNDINGS BEING TAKEN BY WALDHEIM,
GENSCHER, SECRETARY VANCE AND DE GUIRINGAUD.
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